

To Whom it may Concern:

I urge the FCC to reject NAB's petition 04-160. I am a professional pilot and my drive to work is 175 miles, which takes me about three hours. On the first day of my work rotation I head out from Harrisburg, PA to Newark, NJ. It is essential that I be able to get an idea of what traffic is doing in the Newark, and NYC area as I cover 6 major airports in the Tri-State area. With XM Satellite Radio I can tune into the traffic reports in the NYC area as I leave Harrisburg to plan my beat route. This service allows me to look ahead and avoid trouble spots. It saves me time and protects my job. It also keeps me out of the places the public safety officers need me to avoid making their jobs a little easier.

Secondly; I frequently travel this route late at night and early in the morning after less sleep than I would like to have, or a long day getting back to my base and my car. XM provides a way for me to listen to a wide variety of news, sports, music, comedy, and much more. Since installing my XM equipment I feel I have been much safer, because I am more alert and less drowsy. I also do not have to constantly search for "another" FM station as the latest one fades out. My attention is on my driving, not my radio

Any attempt to limit our access to timely weather, traffic, and entertainment goes against what America stands for and should be veto'd

Sincerely,

Rick Mottilla